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Art Unit: 2654

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For: METHOD OF ESTIMATING THE PITCH OF A

SPEECH SIGNAL USING AN AVERAGE DISTANCE BETWEEN PEAKS, USE OF THE METHOD, AND A DEVICE ADAPTED

THEREFORE

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated May 25, 2004 (Paper No. 12), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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